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SUBJ: PAKISTANI - LIBYAN RELATIONS

REF: (A) ISLAMABAD 7588 (B) ISLAMABAD 8081

1. SUMMARY: DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO ISLAMABAD MAJOR ABDUL  
SALEM JALUD REPORTEDLY SOUGHT AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO INCREASE  
GREATLY PAKISTANI MILITARY ASSISTANCE IN THE FORM OF PERSONNEL.

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THE AGREEMENT HAS PAKISTAN SUPPLYING REGIMENT-SIZED LAND COMBAT  
UNITS TO LIBYA.

--MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGHA SHAHI WILL VISIT  
TRIPLOI IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EID TO FURTHER DISCUSS THE  
PROPOSAL.

--THE PAKISTANI UNITS WOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH CHINESE HARDWARE FOR WHICH JALUD REPORTEDLY OBTAINED AGREEMENT DURING HIS VISIT TO THE PRC. END SUMMARY.

2. A WELL-INFORMED GOP SOURCE REPORTED TO AN EMOFFICER RECENTLY THAT DURING MAJOR JALUD'S SECOND VISIT TO ISLAMABAD (REF B) HE SOUGHT AN AGREEMENT-IN-PRINCIPLE WHEREBY PAKISTAN WOULD SUPPLY LARGE MILITARY UNITS (PERHAPS REGIMENTS) TO THE LIBYANS. THE UNITS WOULD BE MADE UP OF RETIRED, ACTIVE AND RESERVE PERSONNEL FROM THE PAKISTANI FORCES. THE EQUIPMENT FOR THESE UNITS WOULD, ACCORDING TO JALUD, BE SUPPLIED BY THE PRC.

3. THE SOURCE FURTHER INDICATED MINSTATE AGHA SHAHI WILL VISIT TRIPOLI TO DISCUSS THIS AGREEMENT AROUND SEPTEMBER 9. AGHA SHAHI'S VISIT WOULD COINCIDE WITH HIS TRIP TO NEW YORK FOR THE OPENING OF THE UNGA. THE MAKE-UP OF THE DELEGATION FOR THE TRIPOLI STOP IS NOT YET KNOWN BUT WILL PROBABLY INCLUDE HIGH RANKING PAKISTANI MILITARY OFFICERS \$

4. AGHA SHAHI CONFIRMED TO DCM ON AUGUST 19 HIS PLANS TO VISIT TRIPOLI. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THERE ARE DIFFICULTIES IN MEETING LIBYA'S REQUESTS FOR MILITARY MANPOWER AND SAID NO AGREEMENTS HAD BEEN REACHED. HE ALSO COMMENTED THAT WHILE THE LIBYANS MAY INDICATE THEIR WILLINGNESS TO SUPPLY GENEROUS ECONOMIC AID, LITTLE HAS SO FAR BEEN FORTHCOMING.

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5. COMMENT: WHILE THE EMBASSY PLACES A HIGH DEGREE OF CREDIBILITY IN THE SOURCE OF THIS REPORT, WE DO NOTE SOME MAJOR AREAS OF UNDERTAINTY. WE WILL NOT PRESUME TO SECOND-GUESS QADHAFI'S INTENTIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT OF THE PAKISTANI FORCES BUT WOULD POINT OUT THE FOLLOWING CONSTRAINTS ON THE GOP IN CONSIDERING THE PROVISION OF TROOPS TO THE LIBYANS IN SOME OF THE POSSIBLE SCENARIOS.

--BASED ON PREVIOUS LIBYAN/PAKISTAN NEGOTIATIONS ALONG THESE LINES, WE EXPECT THE GOP WILL MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO ASSURE THAT ITS FORCES ARE NOT USED BY THE LIBYANS IN ANY CONFLICT WITH OTHER MUSLIM NATIONS.

--IT DOES NOT SEEM LIKELY TO US, THAT QADHAFI WOULD REQUEST PAKISTANI FORCES FOR HIS PRESENT CONFLICT WITH THE CHADISANS NOR THAT THE PAKS WOULD ALLOW THEMSELVES TO BE INJECTED INTO THAT FRAY.

--THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE PAKISTANI FORCES ARE MEANT TO BE AN ELITE "PALACE GUARD" WHOSE LOYALTY TO QADHAFI MAY BE MORE RELIABLE THAN HIS OWN FORCES IN AN INTERNAL POWER STRUGGLE.

6. A FINAL UNCERTAINTY IN THIS REPORTED ARRANGEMENT IS WHAT EXACTLY IS THE "QUID" FOR WHICH PAKISTAN'S "QUO" IS PROVIDED? IT SEEMS CERTAIN THE ANSWER IS MONEY -- BUT HOW MUCH, AND IN WHAT FORM REMAINS SPECULATIVE. IT SEEMS MOST LIKELY THE PAKISTANIS WOULD DEMAND CASH RATHER THAN PROJECT AID IN RETURN FOR THEIR PROVISION OF MANPOWER. HUMMEL  
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